

1 **Amendment to the Claims**

2 **In the Claims:**

3 Please cancel Claims 1-32 and amend Claims 33, 34 and 35 as follows:

4 1. – 32. (Canceled)

5 33. (Currently Amended) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly  
6 distributed particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

7 (a) providing a container having an axis, the container including a volume of the  
8 fluid in which is entrained a plurality of particulates;

9 (b) rotating the container about its axis, such that the particulates become  
10 substantially uniformly distributed within the fluid in the container; and

11 (c) dispensing the fluid independently of the rotation of the container, such that  
12 rotation of the container is not required in order for dispensing of the fluid to occur.

13 34. (Currently Amended) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly  
14 distributed particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

15 (a) providing a container having an axis, the container including a volume of fluid  
16 in which is entrained a plurality of particulates;

17 (b) rotating the container about its axis using a rate of rotation that results in the  
18 fluid, the particulates in the fluid, and the container achieving solid body rotation; and

19 (c) dispensing the fluid independently of rotating the container, such that rotation  
20 of the container is not required in order for the fluid to be dispensed.

21 35. (Currently Amended) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly  
22 distributed particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

23 (a) providing a container having an axis, the container including a volume of fluid  
24 in which is entrained a plurality of particulates;

25 (b) rotating the container about its axis using a rate of rotation that results in the  
26 particulates in the fluid tracing a substantially circular pathway; and

27 (c) dispensing the fluid independently of rotating the container, such that  
28 dispensing occurs without requiring the container to be rotating.

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1           36. (Original) A method for dispensing a fluid containing substantially uniformly distributed  
2 particulates entrained therein, comprising the steps of:

3                   (a)     providing a container having an axis, the container including a volume of fluid  
4 in which is entrained a plurality of particles, the container including a member configured to dispense  
5 fluid from the container when the member is manipulated;

6                   (b)     rotating the container about its axis before dispensing the fluid in the container,  
7 such that the particulates become substantially uniformly distributed within the fluid in the container;

8                   (c)     halting the rotation of the container;

9                   (d)     dispensing the fluid when the container is not rotating; and

10                  (e)     repeating steps (b), (c), and (d).

11           37. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate that results  
12 in a solid body rotation of the container, the fluid and the particulates entrained within the fluid.

13           38. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate that results  
14 in particulates entrained within the fluid tracing a substantially circular path.

15           39. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate that is  
16 between about one revolution per minute and about ten revolutions per minute.

17           40. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated at a rate of about  
18 three revolutions per minute.

19           41. (Original) The method of Claim 36, further comprising the step of ceasing dispensing of  
20 the fluid from the container before repeating steps (b), (c), and (d).

21           42. (Original) The method of Claim 36, wherein the container is rotated using a motor, and  
22 further comprising the step of matching a frequency modulation and phase characteristics of the  
23 motor to a rate of rotation of the container, thereby reducing a pulsatility induced in the dispensing of  
24 the fluid.

25           43. (Original) The method of Claim 36, further comprising the steps of:

26                   (a)     rotating the container about its axis during the step of dispensing the fluid, for  
27 a period of time sufficient to enable the particulates to become substantially uniformly distributed  
28 within the fluid in the container; and

29                   (b)     halting the rotation of the container.  
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